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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please replace the claims with the claims provided in the listing below wherein status, amendments, additions and cancellations are indicated.

## 1-32. (Canceled)

33. (Currently amended) A device for fastening an object in the ground, comprising:

a basic body;

said basic body having an anchoring portion for anchoring the basic body in the ground;

said anchoring portion having a first portion and a second portion being formed from one piece;

said first portion of said anchoring portion being cone shaped with a first cone angle;

said second portion of said anchoring portion being cone shaped with a second cone angle different from said first cone angle;

threads attached to said anchoring portion for screwing the anchoring portion into the ground;

said basic body having a holding portion for receiving an object; and

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said anchoring portion and said holding portion being substantially hollow, wherein the anchoring portion is hammered from a cylindrical part.

- 34. (Previously presented) A device for fastening an object in the ground according to claim 33, wherein the threads extend substantially over an entire length of the anchoring portion.
- 35. (Currently amended) A device for fastening an object in the ground, comprising:

a basic body;

said basic body having an anchoring portion;

said anchoring portion having a first portion and a second portion being formed from one piece;

said first portion of said anchoring portion being cone shaped with a first cone angle;

said second portion of said anchoring portion being cone shaped with a second cone angle different from said first cone angle;

said basic body having a holding portion; and

said anchoring portion and said holding portion being substantially hollow, wherein the anchoring portion is hammered from a cylindrical part.

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- 36. (Previously presented) A device for fastening an object in the ground according to claim 35, further comprising at least one fin structure being attached to the basic body.
- 37. (Currently amended) A device for fastening an object in the ground according to claim 35, further comprising at least three or four fin structures being attached to the basic body in an equiangularly spaced manner.
- 38. (Currently amended) A device for fastening an object in the ground according to one of claims 33 to 37, wherein the anchoring portion and the holding portion are <u>formed in</u> one piece <u>from the cylindrical part</u>.
- 39. (Previously presented) A device for fastening an object in the ground according to one of claims 33 to 37, wherein the anchoring portion is attached to the holding portion.
- 40. (Currently amended) A device for fastening an object in the ground according to one of claims 33 to 37, wherein [[the]] <u>a</u> difference between the first cone angle and the second cone angle is <u>in a range of between about 1 and 3 degrees</u>.

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- 41. (Currently amended) A device for fastening an object in the ground according to one of claims 33 to 37, further comprising a bore extending through the anchoring portion in a direction perpendicular to [[the]] a longitudinal direction of the basic body.
- 42. (Currently amended) A device for fastening an object in the ground according to one of claims 33 to 37, further comprising wherein said anchoring portion having includes a tip.